REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

By the present preliminary amendment a new Abstract believed to be in more proper format under United States practice is submitted.

Further, claims 3-13 are amended by the present response without prejudice to no longer be written as multiple dependent claims. Further, the subject matter of the canceled multiple dependencies is now set forth in new dependent claims 14-24.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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